

ENLIST FOR THE WAR AGAINST THE JINGOS

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KILL THE MURDEROUS LUST FOR WAR!

By J. L. ENGDAHL.

AN ADDITIONAL task has been burdened upon the membership of the Socialist movement by President Wilson's recent invasion of the middle west. With the aid of the capitalist press, jingoes all, the president has revived the bloody lust for war that was being rapidly extinguished. It is the duty of the Socialist movement to again sweep back this rising, crimson tide of uncontrollable passion. We must put the nation back into a straight jacket until it again frees itself from the desire to kill. We can do it.

President Wilson made it clear on his western tour that he did not fear invasion of the United States by any foreign power. Then why this preparedness? The president answered that question when he pointed out, in no unmistakable words, that the western hemisphere must be saved for exclusive exploitation by the profiteers of the United States.

The United States must have an invincible navy and an unconquerable army so that we can save Mexico for the Standard Oil Co. and the International Harvester Co., so that the West Indies can be robbed exclusively by the sugar trust and Central America by the fruit trust. The broad plains and fertile prairies of Argentine and other South American countries must be reserved for the American beef baron and wheat king, to be plundered even as our own "Golden West". The slogan of the Wilson administration is, "The Americas for our own American profiteers".

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LABOR NOT NEEDED NOW.

THAT EXPLAINS why President Wilson, on his western tour, spoke only to audiences of "industrial, commercial and professional men". He didn't care about the workers in the cities and the farmers in the rural districts. They will not be needed until called upon to protect, with their blood and their lives, American dollars invested in other lands.

Read what President Wilson said: "We are not now thinking of invasion of the territory of the United States. That is not what is making us anxious. We are not asking ourselves: Shall we be prepared to defend our own shores and our own homes? Is that all that we stand for? To keep the door securely shut against enemies. Certainly not!"

Of course, the president partly shrouds this clear cut declaration by prating about "liberty of government and national independence in the whole western hemisphere".

Only the other day, however, the president, in reaching out the hand of "Pan-American

friendship" to the other capitalist governments of this western world, declared for an agreement prohibiting the shipment of munitions from any American republic to revolutionary forces in another, constituting a denial of the right of revolution.

In other words, the United States is not only going to guarantee the safe exploitation of the western world by American capitalists against the dollar interests of Europe; but it is also going to guarantee the maintenance of capitalist governments over the protest of the enlightened proletariat of any country in North and South America. The United States was born as the result of a revolution. Now it is going to deny the right of revolution to the peoples of other countries in order to insure "domestic peace" under capitalist exploitation. Where is the memory of Colorado, Michigan and West Virginia? Since when did the United States give up the right to protest, by revolution if necessary, against the regnant plutocracy?

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WILSON DANGEROUS JINGO.

PRESIDENT WILSON is more dangerous than other jingoes—Roosevelt for instance. Roosevelt shrieks for blood, for war, for battleships and soldiers, and when he is the guest of honor at a Gary steel trust banquet, no one questions where he stands. President Wilson is different. He is willing to compromise on an increase in the army and navy, just a little bit bigger this year than last. And the appropriations next year will surpass by just a little those of this year. Thus, in a few years, the Wilson program cannot help but satisfy even the ravings of a Roosevelt. But, by Wilson's method, the great burden of militarism will have been so deeply thrust upon the backs of the American people that they will wonder how it ever got there. REMEMBER, WILSON IS MORE DANGEROUS THAN ROOSEVELT!

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BIGGEST NAVY ON EARTH.

THE PROFIT patriots howled with glee when President Wilson, at St. Louis, declared the navy of the United States should be the largest in the world. The navy is the instrument of aggression, of attack. We do not need the largest navy, nor nearly the largest navy in the world, even to defend the United States against attack. The monarchs of our plutocracy, however, need a giant navy to carry their pirate flag of big business across the seas to battle the commerce of other lands. When President Wilson declares for the largest navy in the world he puts himself on record as favoring a world struggle for markets—the right of the American capitalist to exploit any nation anywhere on the face of the earth.

COMBAT OUR OWN RULING CLASS.

OUR GREATEST task in the present hour of the great trial now facing the world's civilization is to combat, with all the power we possess, the ruling class of our own country.

The coming years will tell the great service we did the Mexican republic in preventing intervention by the United States. The best that is in the Mexican people is now coming to the top. But our work is not at an end. We must conquer the ruling class at home so that it cannot exploit the peoples abroad in times of peace. The International

Harvester trust still has power enough to shackle more slaves in the hemp fields of Yucatan. Exploitation of human flesh in the Mexican oil fields will not end so long as the Standard Oil trust is organized for the purpose of coining profits for "John D." and his pals.

We rejoiced when we heard the peoples of China had established their republic. The first president of the Chinese republic was heralded as a Socialist. But we had not conquered the American capitalist and now capitalism is seeking to force an emperor upon the Chinese people in the face of a bloody revolution. The Chinese republic started out to conserve the resources of the land for the benefit of the people. But the Standard Oil trust and other American trusts, thru corruption and dark conspiracy, secured a grip upon the natural resources of the country, and are now seeking to perpetuate their power to exploit the people of China.

It is written where we can all read—WE MUST FIRST CONQUER THE RULING CLASS OF THE UNITED STATES. THUS WE CAN BEST SERVE THE WORKING CLASS IN OTHER LANDS.

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WEAPON IS READY.

AGREAT PIECE OF LITERATURE has just been put into the hands of American Socialists, a result of the fact that we have one representative in congress. The weapon that we need is therefore ready for use. Meyer London's speech in congress, exposing the world crime of "preparedness", militarism and war, must be used to offset the effect of the many speeches just delivered by President Wilson.

We have no access to the money chests of the United States Steel Corporation, the Bethlehem Steel Company, or any other munitions manufacturing institution. But we have an army of a hundred thousand loyal comrades and a million voters, who, by their ballots, have declared against the capitalist system.

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TWO WEEKS FOR WORK.

THE FOREIGN affairs committee of the house of representatives at Washington has set Feb. 24, as the date for a hearing on the resolution of our comrade, Meyer London, urging a conference of neutral nations to end the war and define the terms of peace.

This gives us only two weeks to combat the influence of the president's recent tour. We can do it by a nation-wide distribution of Meyer London's speech in congress.

In this timely speech Comrade London shows that the United States is menaced by no foreign power and that the pernicious agitation for increases in the army and navy

is the result primarily of artificial stimulation emanating from private manufacturers of munitions of war. In this speech Comrade London told of the struggle against war waged by our comrades in Europe and then outlined the proposals in his joint resolution calling upon the president to convene a congress of neutral nations to offer mediation to the European belligerents. This speech preaches the world doctrine of internationalism as opposed to the base prejudices of narrow nationalism.

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PROBLEM IS SOLVED.

WHAT is the best way of giving this great speech to the nation? The capitalist press will not publish it. The American Socialist, your paper, has solved the problem by issuing this speech in a SPECIAL TWO PAGE EDITION, which brings the cost down to a minimum. Not only this speech, but additional good propaganda matter, appears in this special issue. Three ways have been devised for giving it the greatest circulation possible. Here they are:

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Act immediately on one of these plans. USE THE BLANK IN THE LOWER RIGHT HAND CORNER OF THIS PAGE.

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HOW ABOUT YOUR LOCAL.

YOUR PAPER is this week sending a hurry-up letter to every one of the 6,000 Socialist locals in the land urging the circulation of this special two-page edition. When this letter is read in your local see that it is acted on favorably, see that your local orders a bundle. Only 100 copies of this issue ordered by each local would mean a grand total of 600,000 copies distributed. This should be the minimum. If each local ordered 1,000 copies that would mean six million papers fired into the bewildered ranks of the enemy. That would be a result worth striving for. ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING OF YOUR LOCAL AND SEE THAT THIS MATTER IS ACTED ON FAVORABLY. MAKE THIS THE START OF YOUR CAMPAIGN FOR 1916!

OUR ANTI-WILSON OFFER!

PRESIDENT WILSON told those who heard him in the middle west that after congress was thru debating, his program of "preparedness" would be put over in spite of everything and everybody. Accept that challenge by piling up the subscription list of your paper and making it an invincible power in the crisis that now confronts the republic.

Our special ANTI-WILSON OFFER is ten weeks for ten cents in clubs of ten. This subscription will carry the reader thru the most important period of the present session of congress. The American Socialist, during these weeks, will also tell about the spring municipal campaigns that are now starting all over the nation. By the time this ten-week sub is ready to expire the subscriber will be so interested that he will eagerly renew for a longer period, at least long enough to carry him thru the NATIONAL CAMPAIGN OF 1916. Here is the sub blank. You can use it with good results when you are distributing your bundle of that special two-page issue.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Here is all the week's news worth while boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they do not have time to read the daily capitalist papers.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31.
German Zeppelins drop bombs in London streets.
President Wilson urges his "preparedness" program in speeches at Milwaukee and Chicago.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1.
Japanese steamer Takata Maru believed to have been sunk in Atlantic Ocean off Cape Race in collision with steamer San Joaquin. Not result of demonstrations against high cost of living.

Bringing news German raider is busy at sea. Raider of allied warships, liner Appam, believed lost, comes to anchor at Norfolk, Va., ad German prize.

Mongolian insurgents have crossed great wall of Manchuria, advance guard is besieging city of Ea Tum Fu. New \$20,000,000 steel combine formed by amalgamation of the Youngstown and John Co., Cambria Steel Co. and Lackawanna Steel Co.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.
U. S. senate votes to give independence to Philippines after two years from passage of bill.

Keeling child labor bill passed by house of representatives by vote of 237 to 46.

Germany votes confederation of all stocks of clothing needed.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3.
Historic Canadian parliament buildings at Ottawa, Can., burn with loss of many lives. Thirty-five more deaths in British waters reported as result of Zeppelin raids: 22 victims are Germans, members of this committee:

Anthracte coal operators reject demands of United Mine Workers of America.

Opposition to plan. The Worker, at Glasgow, Scotland, entered by the police and plant seized. Premises were closed.

Report Russians massing troops on Swedet frontier.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5.
Fifty-five members of Russian duma championing move to forbid sale of vodka in Russia forever.

Military kill four strikers and wound many men, women and children. An uprising of armed miners in Porto Rico.

Workers on Welsh railroad go on strike at Chicago and St. Louis.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6.
While Americans give liberally to aid of Poland no decision is reached by Germany and England to make provisions to enter stricken country.

Poll of house of representatives shows Pres. Wilson's plan of draft defense, including conscription of volunteer citizens, is due for over-whelming victory.

Chicago federation of labor goes on record against military preparedness; also condemns military training in schools.

REMEMBER THIS DATE.

Every Socialist and humanitarian in the United States should take part in the public hearing which the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives will give Meyer London's peace resolution on the morning of Feb. 24.

Mark that date—February 24.

On that date the strength of the demands by the socialists and the friends of civilization in America that the Government of this country try to bring the European war to an end will be measured. It will be measured by a neutral committee—a committee made up of Democrats and Republicans of various shades of militarist or pacifist belief, but whose action on this resolution will depend largely upon the showing made by its advocates.

EVERY FRIEND OF PEACE SHOULD STAND UP AND BE COUNTED ON THAT DAY.

Arrangements are being made for the attendance of delegations and speakers at the actual hearing, in the

GOOD FOR YOU, MR. WILSON.

WE HAVE criticised you, Mr. Wilson. You are doing so many foolish and wrong things that we are going to criticise you again.

But you did one fine, big thing for which we wish to commend you. It shows that we want to be fair toward you.

It was a great thing to appoint Brandeis to the supreme bench. It was the first time a "people's lawyer" had ever been mentioned for the place.

It was a still greater thing because it was a notable rising above racial prejudice.

We commend you for it, Mr. Wilson. You might be a great man if you were not bound to a dishonest system thru foolish prejudice.

Of course the appointment of Brandeis will not amount to much so far as service goes, but it was big and right in spirit.

There are eight corporation lawyers on the supreme bench and Brandeis can do but little, even if he was big enough to try.

The senate showed how small it was, how much a tool of the plutocrats, when it opposed one representative of the people as agaist eight corporation lawyers.

But you know, Mr. Wilson, that neither the senate or the supreme court are really a part of the government. They are merely anarchists whose function it is to commit sabotage on the workers.

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Bourgeois Idealists.

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

PRESIDENT WILSON made a speech in the Auditorium at Chicago a few days ago in support of his preparedness program and in behalf of his bourgeois administration. In his speech the president strove with all his earnestness and eloquence to impress upon his hearers the fact that the American nation is completely saturated with altruism and that the people, meaning the ruling class, the only class that counts in capitalism, uses dollars as mere stepping stones to climb the peaks of its lofty ideals. The auditorium rang with applause. For the moment principle glittered from every window-pane in the stately temple and porch went down below par. It was a typical bourgeois audience, profit-grubbers of the first water, and they were tickled almost out of their swallow-tails to learn that they were in mad pursuit of the loftiest of ideals. It must have been a proud moment for the president. He certainly struck oil, and the gusher is still flowing like a fire hydrant.

There is not the least doubt that the bourgeoisie is tremendously idealistic. So blinded are they by their excessive idealism that they can hardly see an opening for an honest dollar.

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YES, INDEED, President Wilson struck a responsive chord in the breasts of that crowd of Chicago beef trust altruists, stock-jobbing patriots and bucket-shop humanitarians. They were with him with a roof-raising hurrah from start to finish and when he launched into the plutocratic gospel of preparedness and showed that the very issue was glorious and had about it the halo of altruism; that preparedness and patriotism were synonymous and that the arming of the nation to its finger-tips and its eye-brows proved the American people to be the loftiest of idealists—oh, it was then that the stock-yards romanticists and the pork-chop patriots let loose with a vengeance and their rampant idealism came near toppling the great auditorium over into the lake.

More and more enthused became the president as he gazed upon the transports of patriotism in which the vast concourse roared. Said he, in arraigning those who had criticised the American government: "They suppose that we are holding off because we can make more money while others are dying, the most cruel misunderstanding that any nation has ever had to face. (Vociferous applause from Morgan and Schwab and the steel ring and the beef trust and the powder syndicate and other powerful patriots, al-

most and idealists.)

These letters should be written, so that the members of the House may consider their attendance at the hearing before arranging to be elsewhere.

Meyer London, the only Socialist spokesman in Congress, is doing his utmost to impress upon Congress and upon the warring nations the desire of all Socialists for peace and disarmament. He needs the help of every Socialist NOW.

It is YOUR turn to help.

GOMPERS' LAW NOT WORKING.
(From the Milwaukee Leader.)

What is the matter with the Clayton act? We have been assured in ringing speeches, boastful editorials and firm, emphatic statements that this act forever made impossible any further suits like the one brought against the Danbury haters.

Now comes the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., railway company and sues the union of its employees individually and collectively for \$200,000. The suit is based in part upon damages caused by "picketing," something far more important to union activity than the earth and are now after the sun!

boycott which brought the damages in the Danbury case.

Of course there is a hope, which every Socialist will share, that the strikers may win the case. But before they win it large sums must be spent for attorneys' fees and court costs.

The Clayton act, which was to make this impossible, was the one great victory attained by "rewarding our friends" the Democrats, at the last presidential election. It was for refusing to work for this law, because he believed it to be a fake, that Victor Berger has been denounced by Gompers.

Will Gompers apologize if this law does prove a fake?

WHAT LOCALS HAVE TO SAY
ABOUT LECTURE COURSES.
MOLINE, ILL.—Comrade C. A. Gustafson writes: "Well, our lecture course is now over. It was a decided success throughout."

"Ryan Walker was great in a different way from the other speakers. He had the audience with him from first to last, laughing whenever he wanted them to. I heard comment like this, 'He has Charley Chaplin beat a hundred ways,' and you know what an idol Charley Chaplin is among the Dubbs. He is surely more than welcome in our city any time in the future. With the thermometer down to zero he managed to draw over 500 persons to the hall. We took up a collection of \$19.85."

RACINE, WIS.—"The Seidel-Kirkpatrick-Walker lectures were a success. The comrades are well satisfied.

"Now we feel confident that we can make the Maley-Goebel course an equal success. Let us know the terms on same at once," writes Comrade F. H. Hysee, the secretary.

Jean Longuet, French Socialist deputy, who addressed the British labor conference at Bristol, England, on being questioned regarding the French losses, said that 200,000 soldiers had been killed, 1,400,000 wounded and 300,000 taken prisoners.

AS WAS predicted in this paper weeks ago, the United Mine Workers just concluded, the Socialists managed to secure a total of 58 seats, a considerable gain. The Conservatives were the victors, as usual, as the electoral system was devised to keep them in power, they being the monarchial party.

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IN HIS FLANNEL SHIRT.

The Saturday Evening Post recently published an article about Minneapolis, Minn., telling what its people were doing to make the city a fit place to live in. The article told of efforts to wipe out the slums thru the adoption of a new building code.

There are Socialists in the Minneapolis city council and they were suspicious of the landlords and the real estate men on the special housing committee that had this work in charge. The article states that the Socialists finally had one of their members join the housing committee. Then it continues as follows:

"And this Socialist member was a dandy! A carpenter, working for day's wages, he came to committee meetings in his flannel shirt and gave hours upon hours of his time in the evenings, with architects, builders, real estate men and landlords, discussing the provisions of the new code. He knew housing codes all over the world, because indignation over the evils permitted scamp builders in houses he worked on had led him to study housing codes to see what could be done to strengthen the laws. Business men on that committee soon learned to have the utmost respect for his knowledge, sense and ability."

We don't blame the comrades in Minneapolis for being suspicious of a housing committee, numbering among its members landlords and real estate men. John C. Kennedy, at the present time one of the Chicago Socialist aldermen, was at one time employed by the Chicago Association of Commerce to investigate housing conditions. He submitted a report in favor of municipal housing as one way of ridding the city of slums. This municipal housing proposition didn't appeal to the landlords and real estate men belonging to the Association of Commerce and they immediately had Kennedy "fired." Now Kennedy is in a position to advocate real municipal housing from the floor of the Chicago City council and he will use the facts gathered while employed by the Association of Commerce. The Minneapolis comrades are no doubt also gathering data that will help them solve the housing problem for their city from the working class viewpoint, and not so that it will bring in more rent for the landlords and more profits for the real estate speculators.

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Proposed National Resolutions.
By Local Canton, Fulton, Co., Ill.A SUBSTITUTE FOR PROPOSED
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STITUTION BY LOCAL OMAHA, NEB.,
Jan. 16, 1916.Article II. Section 7. Any member of the
Socialist Party who shall advocate war
or military preparedness for war, or shall
support it in any way, shall be ex-
pelled from the party by the Local Branch
of which he is a member.(b) If the Local or Branch fails to comply
with the preceding section, the state or
local organization having jurisdiction shall
immediately expel the offending organization.

Frankly yours,

(Signed) Meyer London.

I would suggest you give this your
prompt attention, as the time for action is
short. If you favor the suggestion of Comrade
London, let me know at once, so that we
can get the resolution ready for the National
action taken in this matter by the National
Executive Committee, and will you kindly
send me a copy of that statement?Contributors to this department will fa-
cilitate matters considerably by carefully
observing this rule.VOTE FOR A WOMAN.—When we
abolished the Woman's National Com-
mittee and the Woman's Department, we
proclaimed that this was done in
order to coordinate our party machin-
ery, and that we had not the slightest
intention of abandoning the work
among women.It is now up to us to make good
upon that claim.The way to make good upon it is by
electing at least one woman on the
National Executive Committee.Naturally, in doing so, one of us
men candidates will have to be
dropped by the wayside. Of course
that will be awful. But it will have to
be endured.

And we are not chivalrous either.

Unless a woman is old or sick or
crippled, or has a baby in her arms, we
can keep our seats in a street car, and
let her stand up, without batting an
eye. We have perfect confidence in her
ability to walk across the street or up
a stairway without our assistance.And, to cap the climax and cinch this
argument with irrefutable proof, we
can cheerfully let her pay her own
bills.

No, it is not chivalry.

It is simply for the good of the
cause.

Men are men.

Enough said.

Nevertheless, I shall say more. A
self-evident proposition is one which
any damn fool knows to be true, but
it has to be explained just the same.This has been a man's world until
very recently, and it is still largely so.With the best of intentions, a
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woman is the most significant and
stupendous event of the age. It is
fraught with marvelous progress for
the Party. The Party has, therefore, organized a Liberty
Fund, to make possible legal
and practical steps for the suppression
of political rights. As this fund was raised
to be used in the West Virginia election
for such a purpose, it is but proper the money
now be paid over to them."

Vote closes, Feb. 12, 1916. Ballot enclosed.

Frankly yours, Executive Secretary.

Walter Lanfersiek, Executive Secretary.

COMMENT ON COMMITTEE MOTION "C"
By Meyer London."That the National Executive Committee
should meet and abolish." The National Com-
mittee shall meet and abolish.Robertson, Fink, Richman, De
Rocher, Clark, Kirkpatrick, Stedman, Mc-
Crillis, Frank J., Johnson, Nels, Nichols,
Teller, Rosenthal, Ariana, Latimer, Lathem,
Whaley, Metz, Hillquit, Boudin, Wilkins,
Herman, Straub, Allen, Maure, Slavton,
Rod, Johnson, Rosen, Amy, Katterfeld,
Sadler, Kintze, Gillard, Total, 41.

Voting No.

Griffiths, Plunkett, Norton, Wilk, Watson,
Bever, Nichols, Dornan, Stetzel, Berger,
Berger, Seidel, Total, 17.

Motion Lost.

According to Article IV, Section 3, of the
National Constitution, special meetings of the
National Committee shall be determined when
determined by a two-thirds vote of its members.National Committee Motion "C" failed to
pass, as forty-three affirmative votes were
necessary to its adoption.

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